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*Description:* ff. i + 7 + i - Parchment wrapper made from a bifolium of a late 13th-century French (or possibly English?) canon law manuscript written by two hands, one of them using a classical Littera parisiensis, the other slightly more rounded, the writing partly scraped away on what is now the front cover of the wrapper, the outer side of the lower cover with an inscription in a very large hand which has not been read. - Denis Duveen; Mellon MS 43, acquired with the Duveen collection. Gift of Paul and Mary Mellon, 1965. - Witten, Laurence C. and Pachella, Richard. *Alchemy and the Occult: A Catalogue of Books and Manuscripts from the Collection of Paul and Mary Mellon. Volume Three: Manuscripts*, Mellon MS 43.

*Notes:* -Manuscript fragment on paper of extracts from *Laudabile sanctum*. There follows on ff. 1r-7v an extended series of longer and shorter alchemical recipes and procedures, probably including excerpts from standard sources, a passage on transmutation, a brief account of the planets, etc., often with marginal captions. With a poem in English.

*Number of Parts:* 1 - *Number of Images Available:* 0

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*Language:* Latin; *English Country:* England *Century:* 16th

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### Part 1:

*Description:* - paper - an extended hand with a five-pointed star extending on a stem from the middle finger, a quatrefoil (?) at the wrist, which is sharply cut off, the fingers partly articulated, of the type of Briquet 11341 and following, but more refined. - 205 x 150 (ca. 182 x 185) mm.

*Country:* England

*Cardinal point:*

*Region:* England

*City:*

*Assigned Date:* [ca. 1575]

*Searchable Date Range:* 1575 - 1575

*Dated by scribe:* No

*Inscribed Date:*

*Document:* No

*Number of Scribes:*

*Script:* Written by a single hand, very small (sometimes minute) and mostly very neat, using a good cursive italic for the Latin passages, and a secretary hand for the English, both sloping somewhat to the right.

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*Number of Texts:* 1

### Text 1:

*Title:* Alchemical miscellany.

*Subjects:* Alchemy--Early works to 1800.; English poetry--Early modern, 1500-1700.; Formulas, recipes, etc.; Latin poetry, Medieval and modern.; Manuscripts, Medieval--Connecticut--New Haven.;

*Language(s):* Latin; English